

Mr. President, I hope my colleagues will join me in supporting this resolution and encouraging the continued growth of our workforce development system.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I have 1 request for committee to meet during today's session of the Senate. It has the approval of the Majority and Minority leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committee is authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

#### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Monday, September 25, 2017, at 2 p.m., in 215 Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Graham-Cassidy-Heller-Johnson Proposal."

#### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Paul Thomas, a detailee in the Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the first session of the 115th Congress.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Cathy Glenn and Dave Ahart of the Senate recording studio be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the legislative day.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018

On Monday, September 18, 2017, the Senate passed H.R. 2810, as amended, as follows:

#### H.R. 2810

*Resolved*, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 2810) entitled "An Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2018 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes," do pass with the following amendment:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018".

#### SEC. 2. ORGANIZATION OF ACT INTO DIVISIONS; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) DIVISIONS.—This Act is organized into six divisions as follows:

(1) Division A—Department of Defense Authorizations.

(2) Division B—Military Construction Authorizations.

(3) Division C—Department of Energy National Security Authorizations and Other Authorizations.

(4) Division D—Funding Tables.

(5) Division E—Additional Provisions.

(6) Division F—Further Additional Provisions.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title.

Sec. 2. Organization of Act into divisions; table of contents.

Sec. 3. Congressional defense committees.

Sec. 4. Budgetary effects of this Act.

#### DIVISION A—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AUTHORIZATIONS

##### TITLE I—PROCUREMENT

##### Subtitle A—Authorization of Appropriations

Sec. 101. Authorization of appropriations.

##### Subtitle B—Army Programs

Sec. 111. Transfer of excess High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicles to foreign countries.

Sec. 112. Limitation on availability of funds for Army Air-Land Mobile Tactical Communications and Data Network, including Warfighter Information Network-Tactical (WIN-T).

##### Subtitle C—Navy Programs

Sec. 121. Multiyear procurement authority for Virginia class submarine program.

Sec. 122. Arleigh Burke class destroyers.

Sec. 123. Multiyear procurement authority for V-22 joint aircraft program.

Sec. 124. Design and construction of amphibious ship replacement designated LX(R) or amphibious transport dock designated LPD-30.

Sec. 125. Modification of cost limitation baseline for CVN-78 class aircraft carrier program.

Sec. 126. Extension of limitation on use of sole-source shipbuilding contracts for certain vessels.

Sec. 127. Certification of the enhanced multi mission parachute system for the United States Marine Corps.

##### Subtitle D—Air Force Programs

Sec. 131. Inventory requirement for Air Force fighter aircraft.

Sec. 132. Comptroller General review of total force integration initiatives for reserve component rescue squadrons.

Sec. 133. Authority to increase Primary Aircraft Authorization of Air Force and Air National Guard A-10 aircraft units for purposes of facilitating A-10 conversion.

Sec. 134. Requirement for continuation of E-8 JSTARS recapitalization program.

Sec. 135. Prohibition on availability of funds for retirement of E-8 JSTARS aircraft.

##### Subtitle E—Defense-wide, Joint, and Multiservice Matters

Sec. 141. F-35 economic order quantity contracting authority.

Sec. 142. Authority for Explosive Ordnance Disposal units to acquire new or emerging technologies and capabilities.

#### TITLE II—RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION

##### Subtitle A—Authorization of Appropriations

Sec. 201. Authorization of appropriations.

Subtitle B—Program Requirements, Restrictions, and Limitations

Sec. 211. Mechanisms for expedited access to technical talent and expertise at academic institutions to support Department of Defense missions.

Sec. 212. Codification and enhancement of authorities to provide funds for defense laboratories for research and development of technologies for military missions.

Sec. 213. Modification of laboratory quality enhancement program.

Sec. 214. Prizes for advanced technology achievements.

Sec. 215. Expansion of definition of competitive procedures to include competitive selection for award of research and development proposals.

Sec. 216. Inclusion of modeling and simulation in test and evaluation activities for purposes of planning and budget certification.

Sec. 217. Differentiation of research and development activities from service activities.

Sec. 218. Designation of additional Department of Defense science and technology reinvention laboratories.

Sec. 219. Department of Defense directed energy weapon system prototyping and demonstration program.

Sec. 220. Authority for the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering to promote innovation in the Department of Defense.

Sec. 221. Limitation on availability of funds for F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Follow-On Modernization.

Sec. 222. Improvement of update process for populating mission data files used in advanced combat aircraft.

##### Subtitle C—Reports and Other Matters

Sec. 231. Competitive acquisition plan for low probability of detection data link networks.

Sec. 232. Clarification of selection dates for pilot program for the enhancement of the research, development, test, and evaluation centers of the Department of Defense.

Sec. 233. Requirement for a plan to build a prototype for a new ground combat vehicle for the Army.

Sec. 234. Plan for successfully fielding the Integrated Air and Missile Defense Battle Command System.

Sec. 235. Sense of Congress on hypersonic weapons.

Sec. 236. Importance of historically Black colleges and universities and minority-serving institutions.

#### TITLE III—OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

##### Subtitle A—Authorization of Appropriations

Sec. 301. Authorization of appropriations.

##### Subtitle B—Logistics and Sustainment

Sec. 311. Sentinel Landscapes Partnership.

Sec. 312. Increased percentage of sustainment funds authorized for realignment to restoration and modernization at each installation.

##### Subtitle C—Reports

Sec. 321. Plan for modernized, dedicated Department of the Navy adversary air training enterprise.

##### Subtitle D—Other Matters

Sec. 331. Defense Siting Clearinghouse.

Sec. 332. Temporary installation reutilization authority for arsenals, depots, and plants.

Sec. 333. Pilot program for operation and maintenance budget presentation.

Sec. 334. Servicewomen's commemorative partnerships.

Sec. 335. Authority for agreements to reimburse States for costs of suppressing wildfires on State lands caused by Department of Defense activities under leases and other grants of access to State lands.

Sec. 336. Repurposing and reuse of surplus Army firearms.

Sec. 337. Department of the Navy marksmanship awards.

Sec. 338. Modification of the Second Division Memorial.